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For: AN OPTICAL DEVICE AND A METHOD FOR AIMING AND VISUALLY
INDICATING A READING AREA

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

In conjunction with a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) filed simultaneously herewith, please consider this Amendment as a Submission under 37 CFR §1.114. This Amendment resembles in some respects the November 21, 2002 Amendment After Final which refused entry by the December 24, 2002 Advisory Action, although further amendments have been implemented with respect to independent claim 1 and further patentability arguments presented.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following new paragraph after line 30 on page 9:

D1 Figure 7 is a block diagram of elements of the invention in their geometrical relationship.

Please change the paragraph on page 15, lines 9 - 13, to read as follows:

D2 Described herein below with reference to Figure 5 and Figure 7 is an example of a method for calculating the distance and orientation of the reading area by the aiming device described in the foregoing, assuming that a square shape for the four patterns is projected onto the reading area.